

DRAFTER'S NOTE
FROM THE
LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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ATTN: Tom Jackson

Please review the attached draft carefully to ensure that it is consistent with your intent.

I do not know whether neighborhood electric vehicles (NEVs) contain an odometer. If they do not, I assume that DOT will, by rule, exempt them from odometer disclosure requirements under DOT's authority provided in s. 342.155 (1) (a) and (c) 2.

I assume that NEVs will contain a vehicle identification number and that DOT will not have to affix an assigned number to them. I also assume that a manufacturer's sale of a new NEV will include a manufacturer's "document of origin."

I have not treated ss. 342.15 (4) (a) and 342.34 (1) (c) to add NEVs. Accordingly, upon transfer of ownership, the registration plate will remain on the NEV. Is this consistent with your intent?

This bill will affect NEV dealers. The definition of dealer in s. 340.01 (11) is not limited to licensed dealers under ch. 218. An NEV dealer will generally be subject to s. 342.16; however, I have not amended s. 342.16 (1) (am) to require NEV dealers to process transactions electronically.

The following comments are repeated from the "/P1" drafter's note:

I find the second sentence of s. 349.26 (2), stats., quite perplexing. I find the manner in which "roadway" is used to be ambiguous and I cannot decipher when such an agreement is necessary. Do you want this sentence clarified?

I have also stricken a provision in the definition. By definition, a motor vehicle is self-propelled. See s. 340.01 (35).

With registration, vehicle emissions testing of neighborhood electric vehicles will be required unless DNR exercises its authority under s. 285.30 (5) (c) to specify that neighborhood electric vehicles are not subject to emissions testing. (Mopeds and diesel fuel powered vehicles have specific exemptions under s. 285.30 (5).) Since these vehicles are electric, there should be no need for testing. Do you want to add a specific exemption from testing for these vehicles?

Please let me know if you would like any changes made to the attached draft or if you have any questions. If the attached draft meets with your approval, let me know and I will convert it to an introducible "/1" draft.

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